Installation of Mahatma Gandhi's Statue at Madras

@3954. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mahatma Gandhi's statue would be installed at Kodambakkam area of Madras;

(b) if so, whether the statue has been installed; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Mahatma Gandhi's statue is lying in the Municipal Corporation Godown in Madras?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The Govt, of Tamil Nadu have informed that a Cement statue of Mahatma Gandhi was erected at Choolaimedu High Road Kodambakkam Madras in 197S without permission either from the Govt, of Tamil Nadu or from Corporation of Madras. In 1985 while widening the road this cement statue was removed and kept under safe custody at the Division office of the Corporation of Madras. It has also been informed by the State Govt, that the Gandhi statue which is made of Cement mortar is not in good condition and hence it is not fit for reinstallation.

It has been further informed that as per the latest decision of the Govt, of Tamil Nadu only metal statue can be installed in the Local Body areas. The Commissioner, Corporation of Madras has been instructed by the Govt, of Tamil Nadu for installation of a statue of Mahatma Gandhi in that area as per the conditions laid down by the Govt. of Tamil Nadu for installation of statues.

@Previously Unstarred Question No. 3102, Transferred from 14th December, 1992.

Illegal Possession in Sangam Vihar, Delhi

3955. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to a news item which appeared in the Hindustan of 15th December, 1991 under the caption "Sangam Vihar Ke Awaidh Kabje Ke Peeche Police"

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken thereon;

(d) whether Police Commissioner, Delhi received a letter from Prime Minister's Office asking him to take necessary action in the matter; and

(e) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Delhi Police has reported that no police officer was involved in the allegation relating to land grab by antisocial elements referred to in the report.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) An inquiry was conducted by the Delhi Police but the allegations levelled by the complainant in his complaint could not be substantiated.

Sanction of posts for C.P.W.D.

3956. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain number of posts have been sanctioned by the Ministry on 1st September, 1992 for the CPWD work charged staff and regular transferred category staff to be filled by promotion and direct recruitment according to the recruitment rules;

(b) if so, their number according to each category of post and their division in different Zones of C.P.W.D.;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Central